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EDUCATION

University of Notre Dame, Notre Dame, Indiana

Ph.D. candidate, Political Science, Constitutional Studies and Political Theory. Expected 2017.

Dissertation: "American Religious Liberty Jurisprudence in Comparative Perspective."

Committee: Michael Zuckert (advisor), Vincent Phillip Muñoz, Donald Kommers, and Richard Garnett.

M.A., Political Science, 2013

Claremont McKenna College, Claremont, California

B.A. in Government, 2008, Honors Thesis: "Abraham Lincoln and the American Founding"

PUBLICATIONS

"How the Founders Agreed about Religious Freedom but Disagreed about the Separation of Church and State," co-authored with Vincent Phillip Muñoz, in *The Wiley Blackwell Companion to Religion and Politics in the U.S.*, edited by Barbara A. McGraw (Hoboken, NJ: Wiley Blackwell, 2016).

BOOK REVIEWS

Review of *Constitutional Originalism: A Debate*, by Robert W. Bennett and Lawrence B. Solum, *American Political Thought*, Vol. 3(2), 360-63, 2014.

WORKING PAPERS

"Decision Redux: The Supreme Court's Choice to Revisit Cases," with Christopher McMillian, conditionally accepted to the *Journal of Law and Courts*.

"Abraham Lincoln and the Mantle of Henry Clay," under review as a chapter of an edited volume.

PRESENTATIONS

"The Golden Thread of Religious Liberty in the Thought of Locke and Madison," (upcoming) American Political Science Association Conference, Philadelphia, September 2016.

"Foundations of Contemporary U.S. Religious Liberty Jurisprudence: The Convergence of Plain Meaning and Libertarian Dignity," Midwest Political Science Association Conference, Chicago, April 2016.

"Criticism from Below: The Supreme Court's Decision to Revisit Cases," Midwest Political Science Association Conference, Chicago, April 2015.

"Montesquieu, Locke, and the Early Modern Account of Religious Toleration," Northeastern Political Science Association Conference, Boston, November 2014.

“Decision Redux: The Supreme Court’s Choice to Revisit Cases,” University of Texas Graduate Conference in Public Law, Austin, Texas, November 2014.

“Statesmanship and Compromise: Abraham Lincoln and the Legacy of Henry Clay,” Midwest Political Science Association Conference, Chicago, April 2014.

“Justice Butler and the Alien Land Cases,” Fall Research Colloquium, Institute for Humane Studies, Fairfax, Virginia, November 2013.

“Justice Field, Jury Exclusion, and the 14th Amendment,” Midwest Political Science Association Conference, Chicago, April 2013.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Constitutional Law: Powers and Institutions, Fall 2016

Striving for Excellence in Teaching Certificate, Kaneb Center, 2015

Teaching Assistant, Vincent Phillip Muñoz, Constitutionalism, Law, and Politics II, Spring 2015.

Teaching Assistant, Patrick Deneen, Constitutionalism, Law, and Politics I, Fall 2014.

Teaching Assistant, Christina Wolbrecht, American Politics, Spring 2013.

Teaching Assistant, Vincent Phillip Muñoz, Constitutionalism, Law, and Politics, Fall 2012.

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

American Political Thought (2013-2014), Notre Dame, Indiana, Editorial Intern

Henry Salvatori Center for the Study of Individual Freedom (2006-2008), Claremont, California, Harrison Fellow (2007-2008).

GRANTS AND AWARDS

Hayek Fund Travel Grant, Institute for Humane Studies, 2016.

Humane Studies Fellowship, Institute for Humane Studies (2013-2014, 2014-2015, 2015-2016, 2016-2017).

Mellon Grant for Religion Across the Disciplines, Andrew W. Mellon Foundation, 2016.

Calihan Travel Grant, 2016.

Koch Foundation Dissertation Grant and Travel Grant, 2016.

Religious Freedom Project Summer Research Fellowship, Georgetown University’s Berkley Center for Religion, Peace, and World Affairs, 2015.

Graduate Student Union Conference Presentation Grant, 2015.

Professional Development Award, University of Notre Dame Graduate School, 2012.

Graduate Student Professional Development Award, Institute for Scholarship in the Liberal Arts, University of Notre Dame, 2012.